

Gene Regulatory Networks: Lessons from plants

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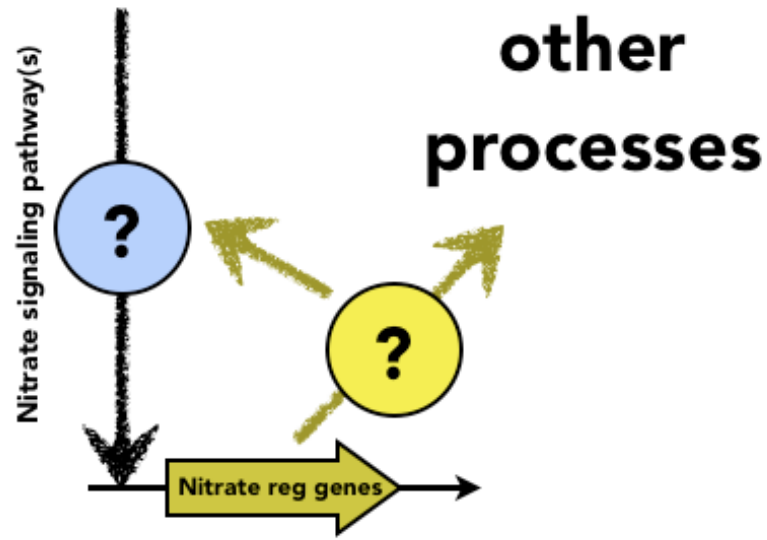
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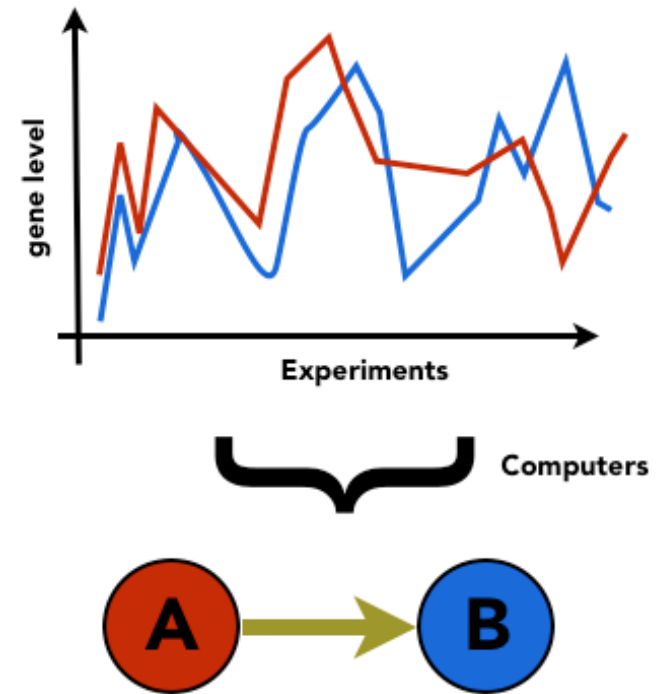
Our questions

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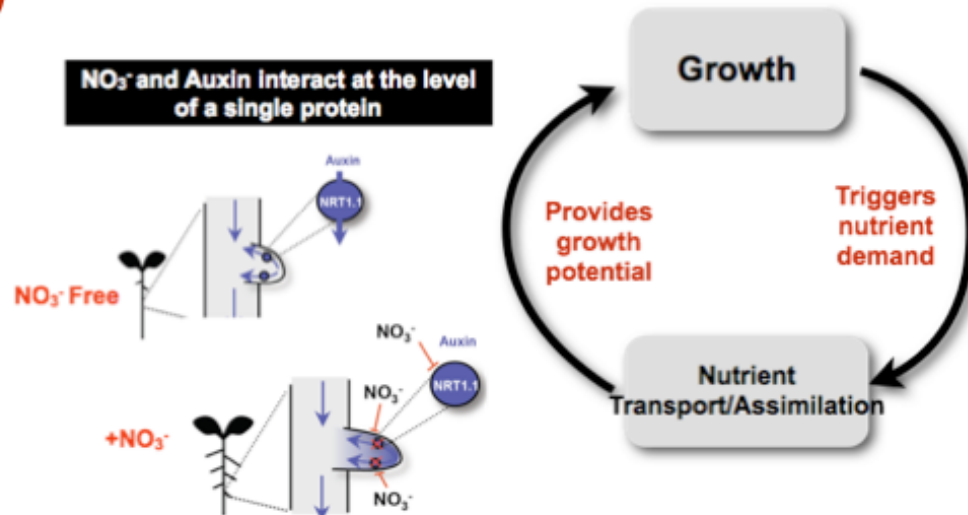
Nitrate



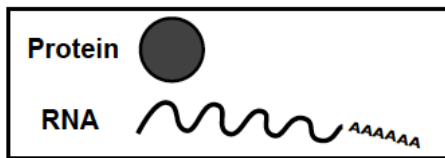
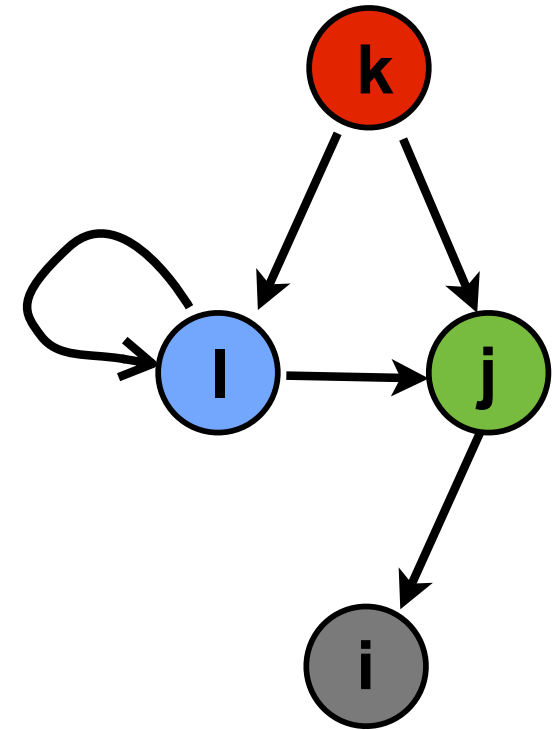
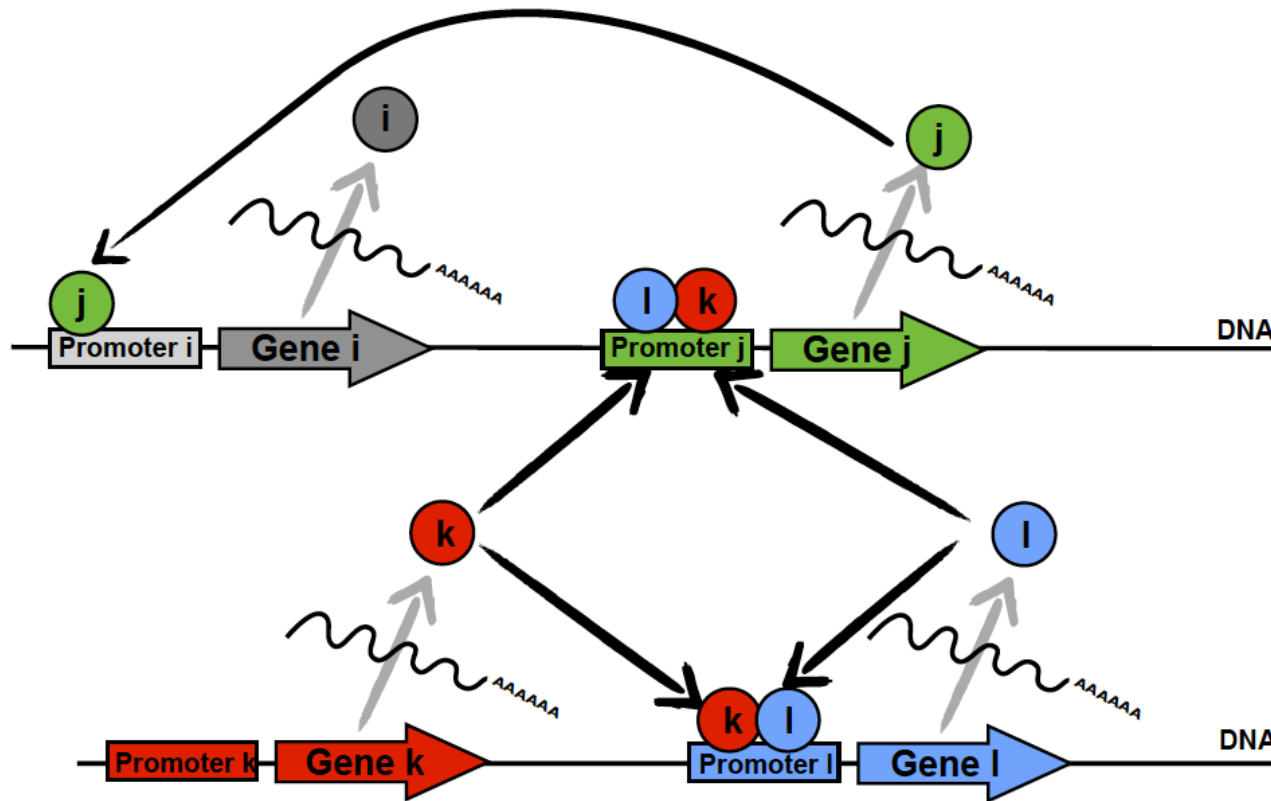
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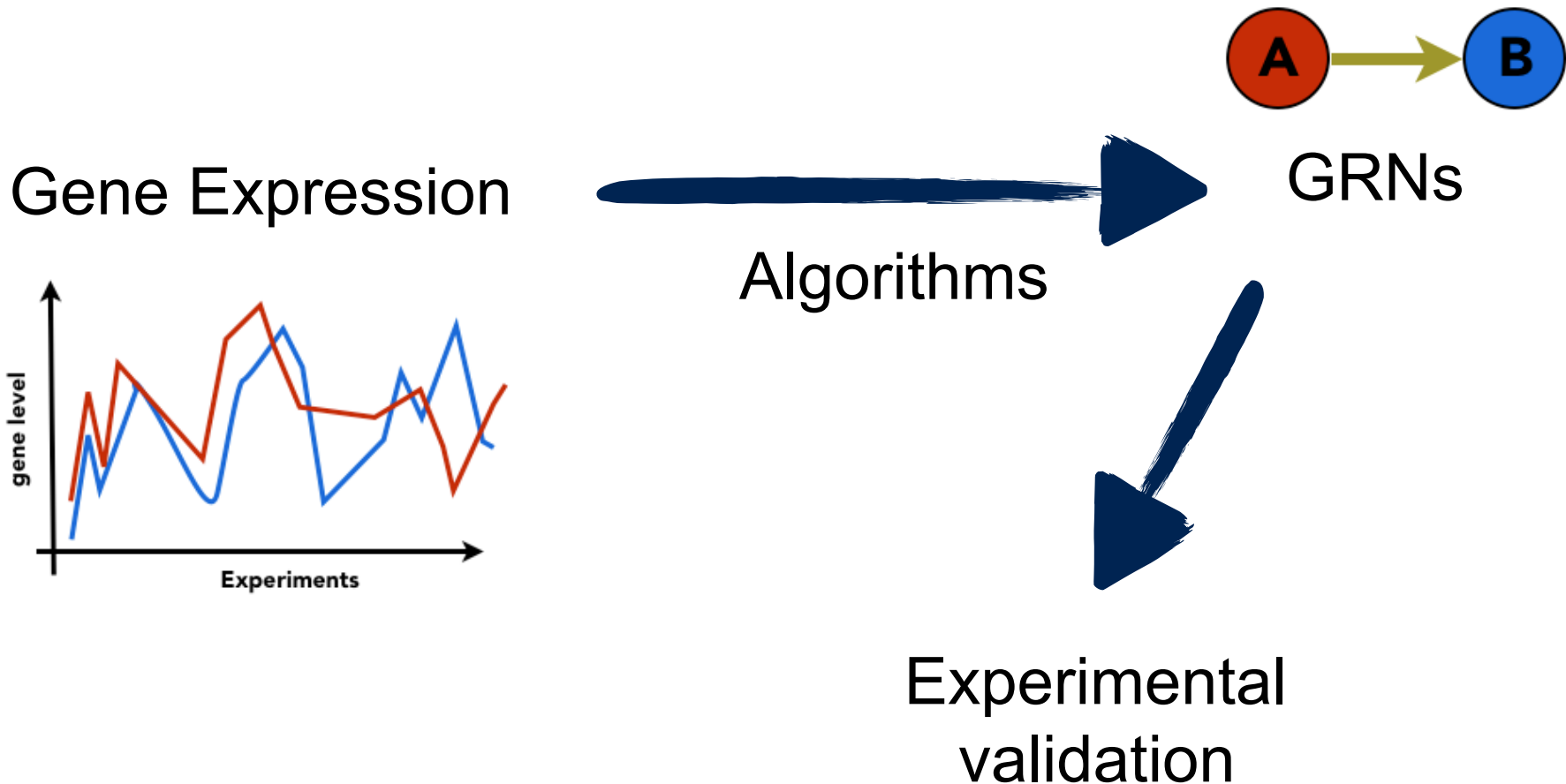
For the geeks, and admin, around here. Gene Regulatory Networks, qu'es aquò*?



Exhaustive vision of mRNA levels in cells.
microarrays, NGS etc...

One particular important goal of Systems Biology:

Impacts may range from agronomy to medicine...



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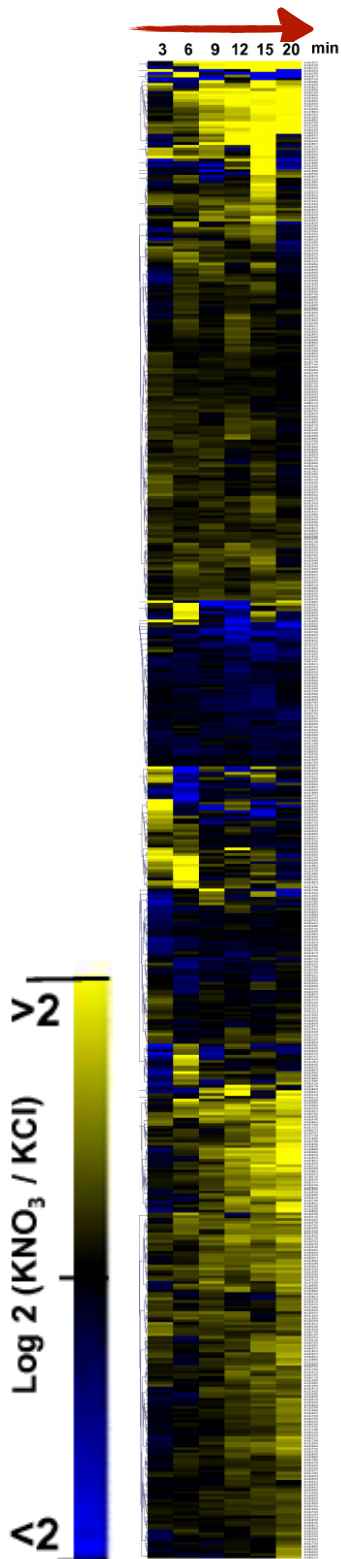
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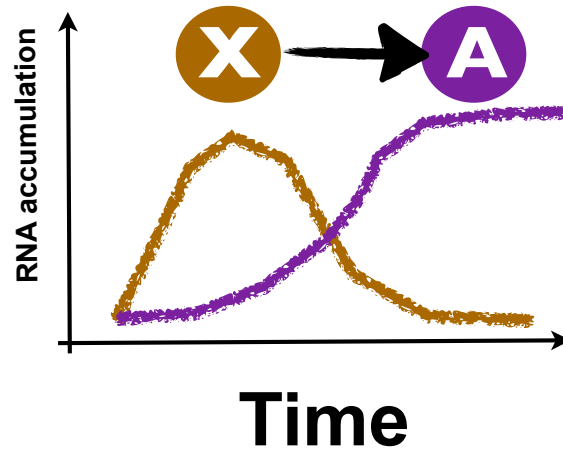
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Minimal view of the Network



State Space Modeling



Dennis Shasha



Piotr Mirowski

Krouk *et al.* *Genome Biology* 2010, **11**:R123
<http://genomebiology.com/content/11/12/R123>



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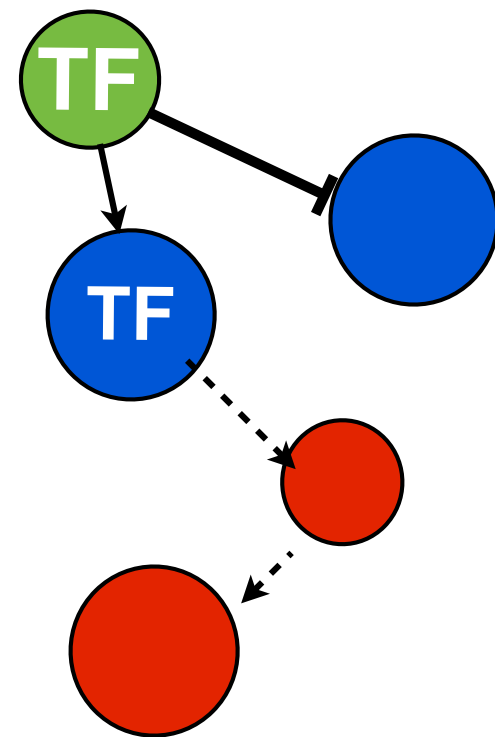
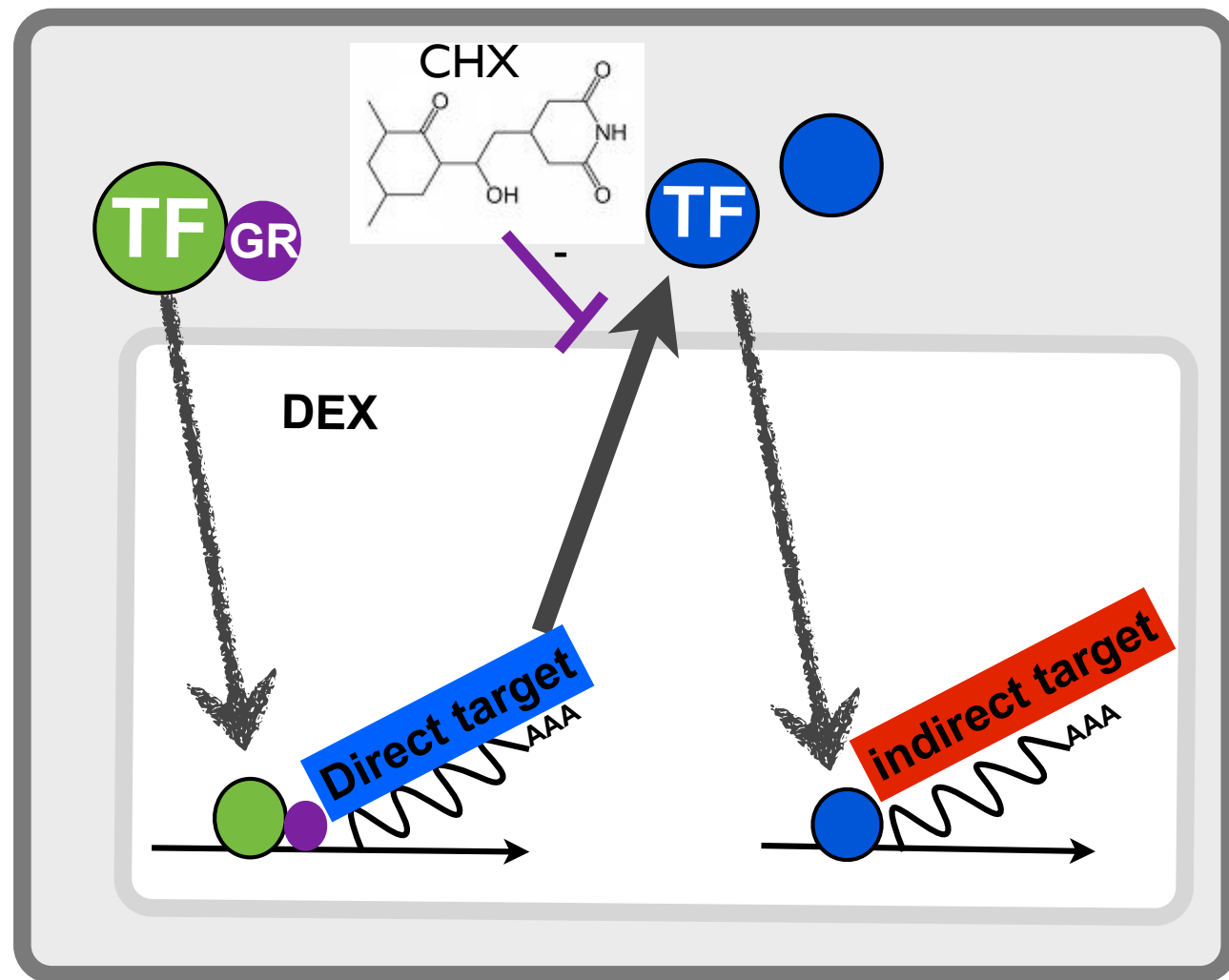
Predictive network modeling of the high-resolution dynamic plant transcriptome in response to nitrate

Gabriel Krouk^{1,2}, Piotr Mirowski³, Yann LeCun³, Dennis E Shasha³, Gloria M Coruzzi^{1*}

TARGET: Transient Assay Reporting Genome-wide Effects of Transcription factors

the concept

Adapted from Sablowski and Meyerowitz Cell, Vol. 92, 93–103, January 9, 1998



Bargmann et al. Mol Plant 2013
Para et al. PNAS 2014
Medici et al. Nature Commun 2015

this figure looks crazy ... but ...
it is possibly close to reality (connection-wise)

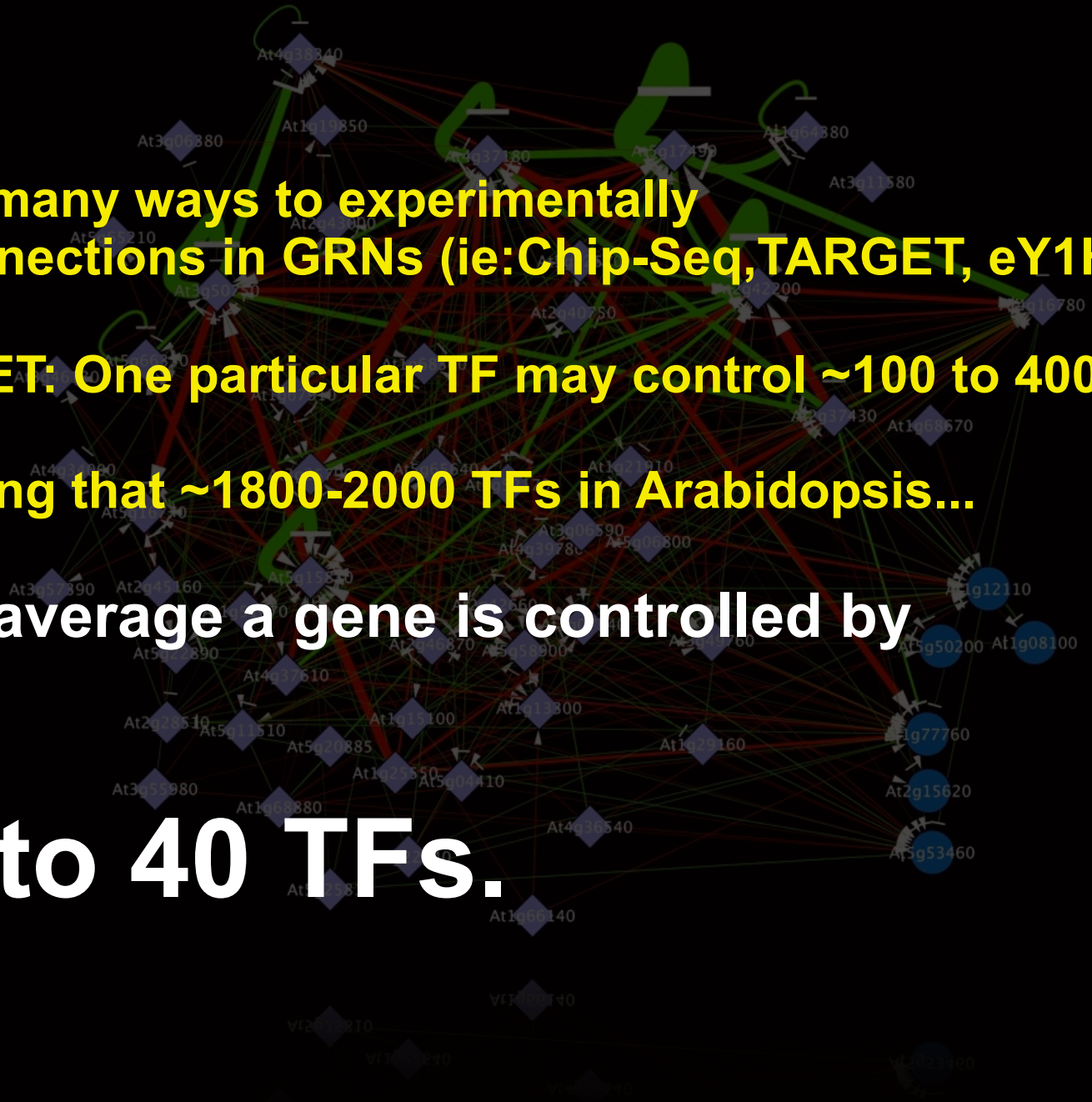
-We have many ways to experimentally
probe connections in GRNs (ie:Chip-Seq,TARGET, eY1H):

TARGET: One particular TF may control ~100 to 400 genes.

Knowing that ~1800-2000 TFs in Arabidopsis...

... in average a gene is controlled by

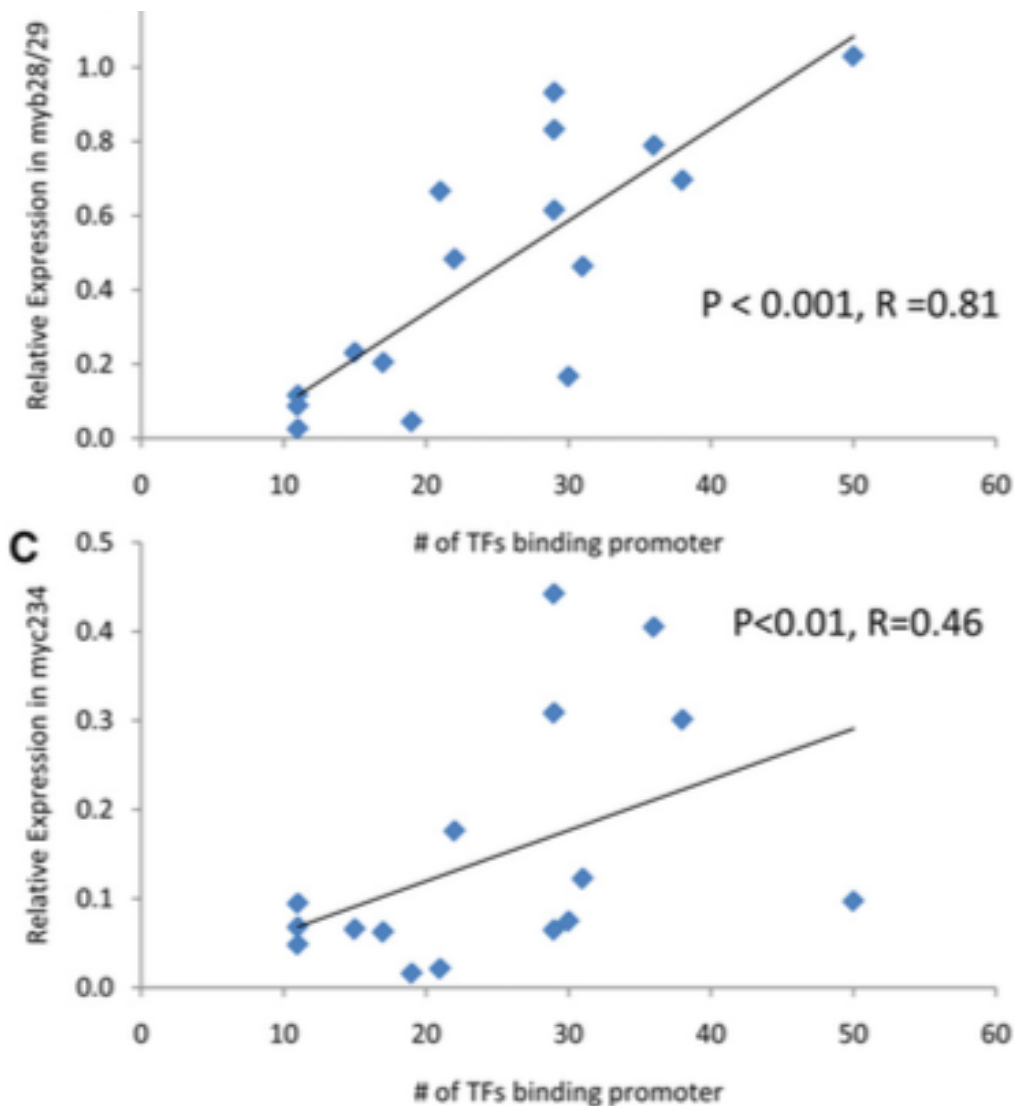
~6 to 40 TFs.



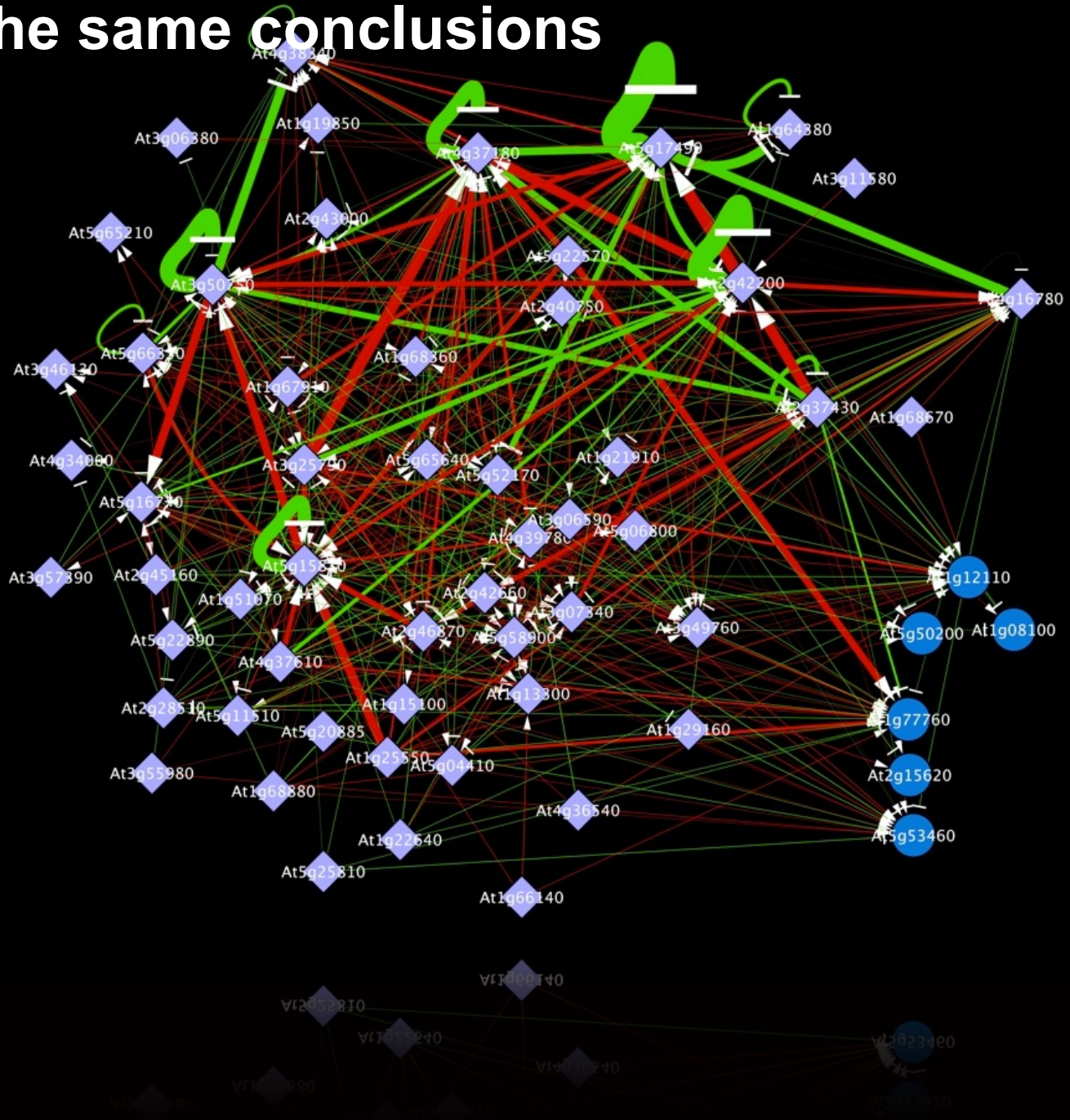
Promoter-Based Integration in Plant Defense Regulation^{1[W][OPEN]}

Baohua Li, Allison Gaudinier, Michelle Tang, Mallorie Taylor-Teeple, Ngoc T. Nham, Cyrus Ghaffari, Darik Scott Benson, Margaret Steinmann, Jennifer A. Gray, Siobhan M. Brady, and Daniel J. Kliebenstein*

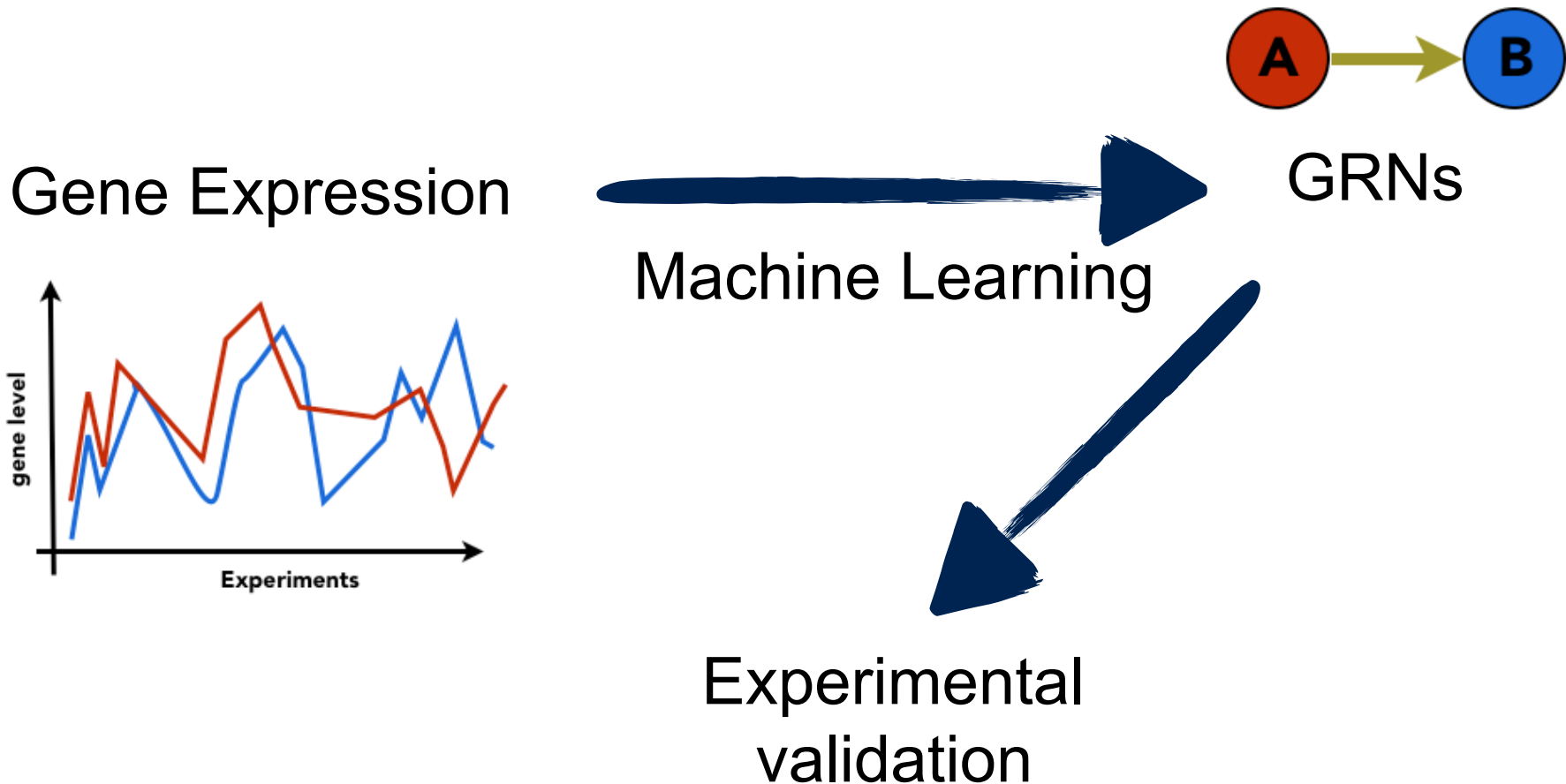
Departments of Plant Sciences (B.L., M.T., N.T.N. C.G., D.S.B., M.S., J.A.G., D.J.K.) and Plant Biology (A.G., M.T., M.T.-T., J.A.G., S.M.B.) and Genome Center (A.G., M.T., M.T.-T., J.A.G., S.M.B.), University of California, Davis, California 95616; and DynaMo Center of Excellence, University of Copenhagen, DK-1871 Frederiksberg C, Denmark (D.J.K.)



Machine learning and Experimental procedures converge towards the same conclusions



One particular important goal of Systems Biology:



Project- We use these parameters to simulate large 'eukaryotic-like' GRNs

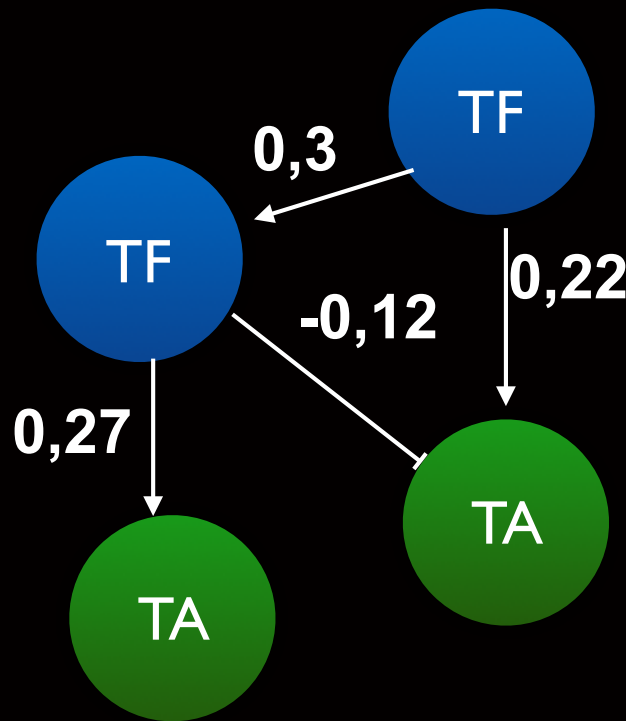
Fast Randomizing Algorithm for Network Knowledge



Clement Carre Post-doc



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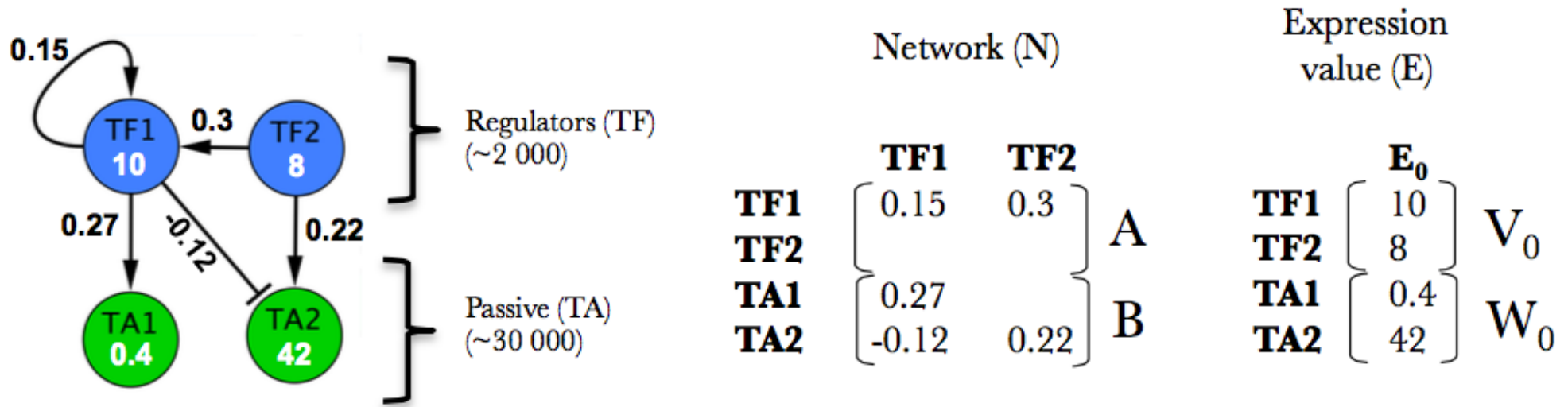


Regulators **2,000**

Passive **30,000**

Poses fundamental/mathematical questions concerning network stability and more...

The Formalism = FRANK's gut is simple though highly scalable

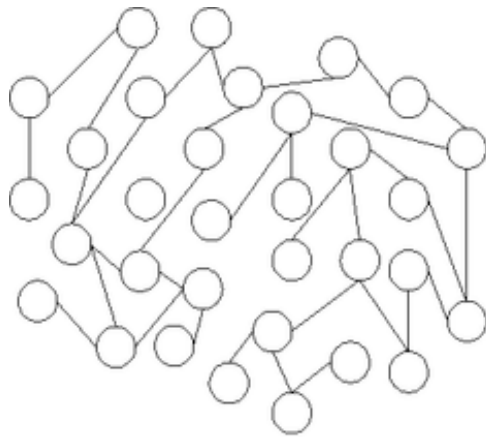


$$V(t+1) = V(t) + A.V(t)$$

$$W(t+1) = W(t) + B.V(t)$$

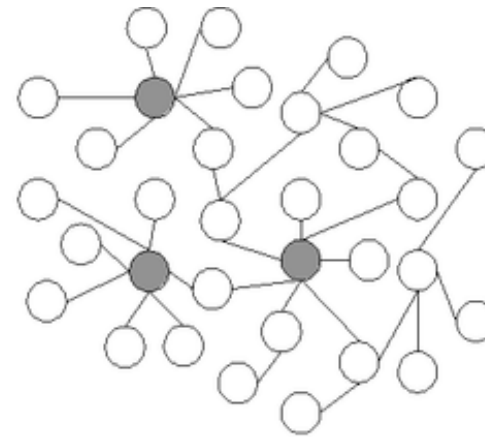
“biological” constrains = Mathematical challenges.

- 1) Chose Number of TF and TA (potentially big 10^4)
- 2) Number of connections by Gene (TF or TA)
- 3) Scale-Free properties (Connection degree follow a power law)
- 4) Generated gene expression is following “normal distribution”
- 5) The network as to generate stable gene expression.



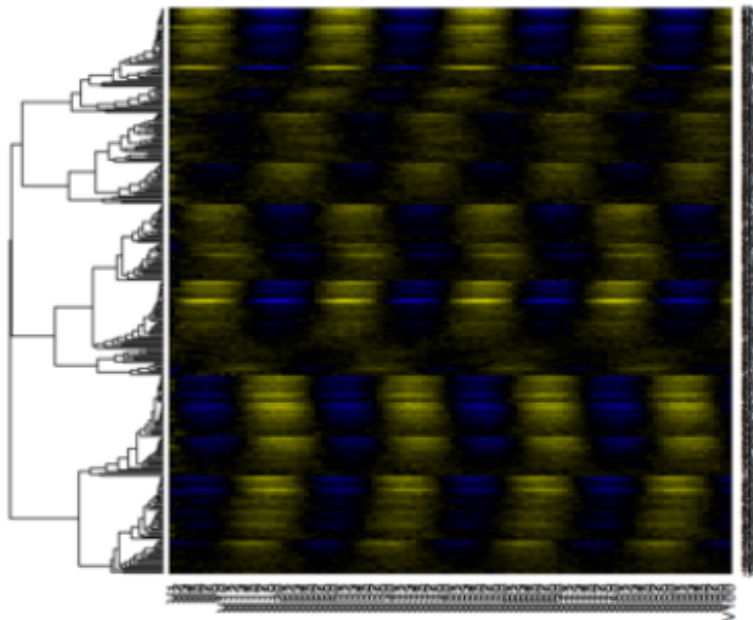
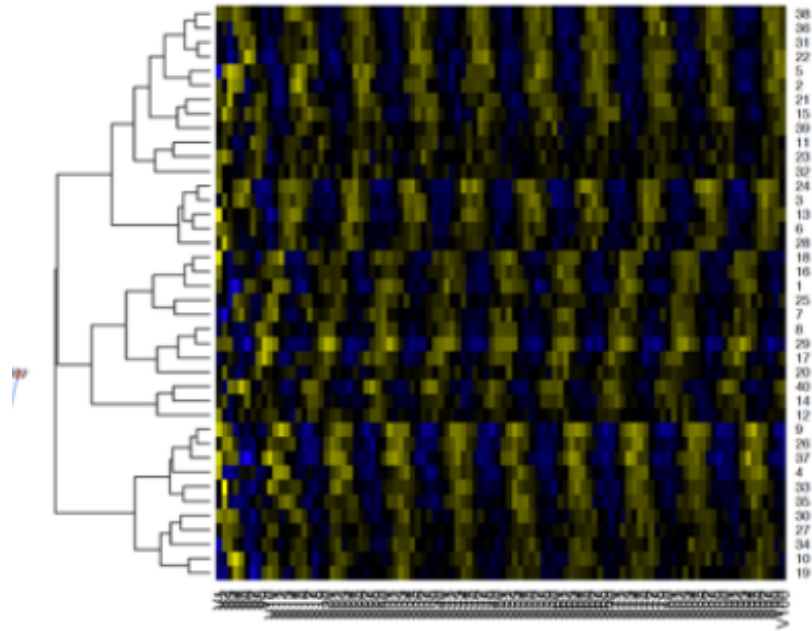
(a) Random network

$$P(k) \sim k^{-\gamma}$$

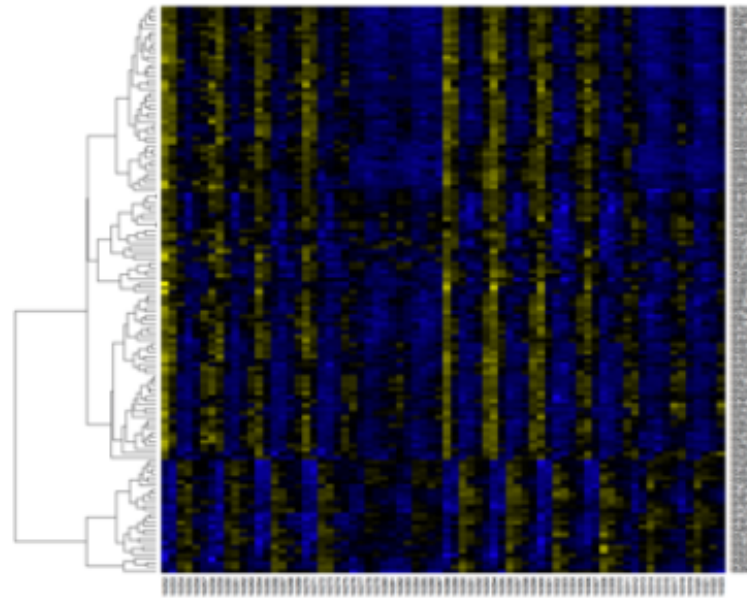


(b) Scale-free network

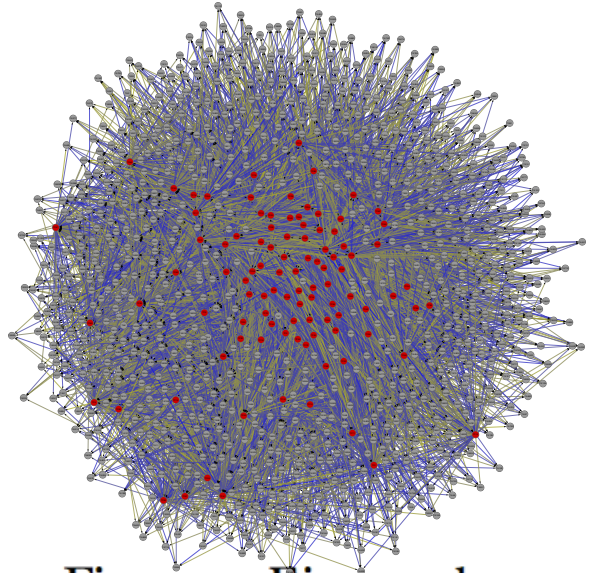
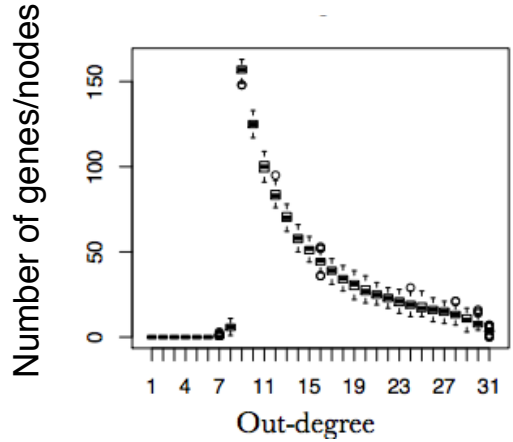
FRANK DATA



Affy DATA (Kay lab) Real data

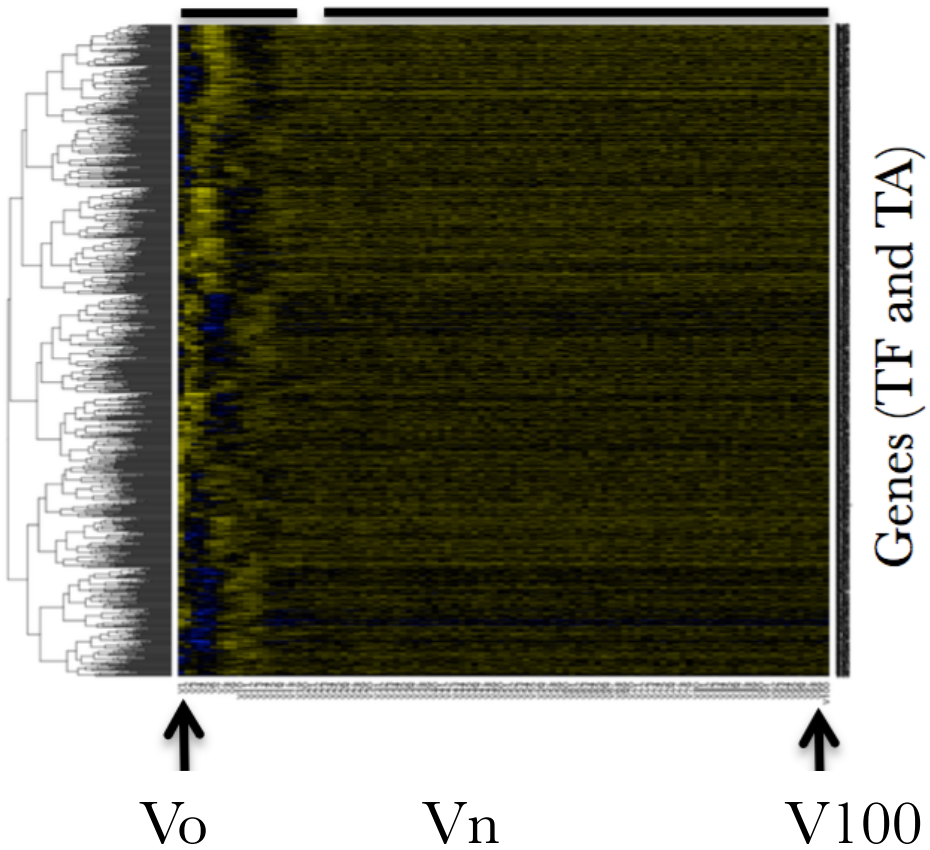


100 TF and 1000 TA



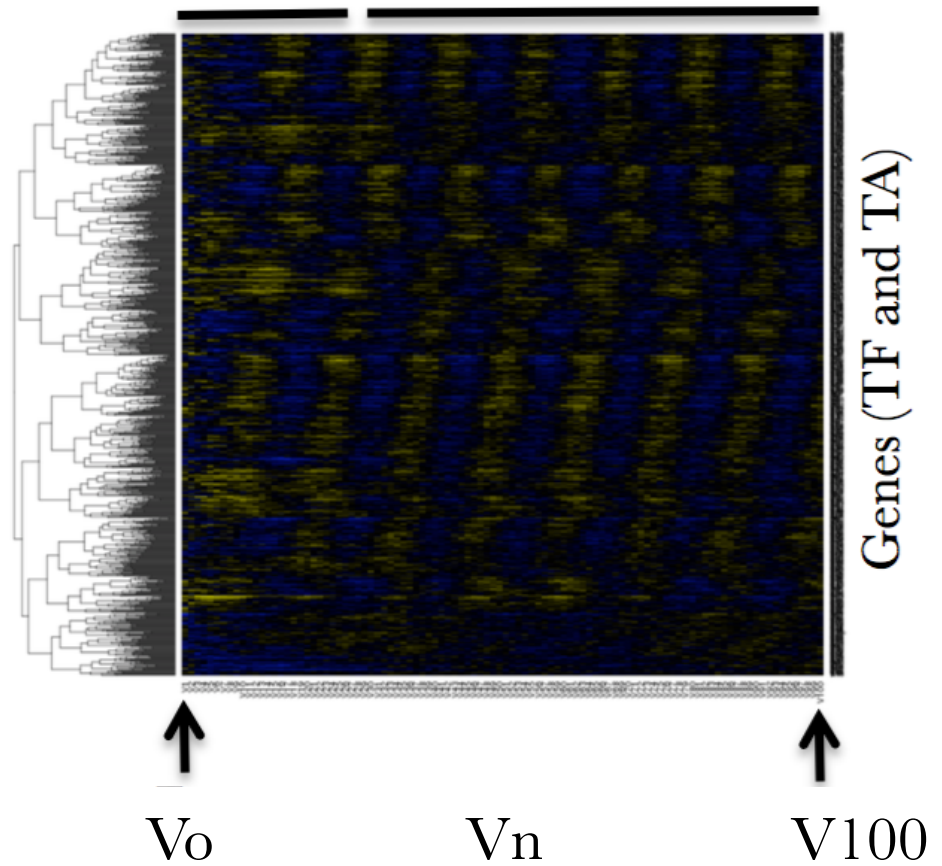
First Eigen value = 1

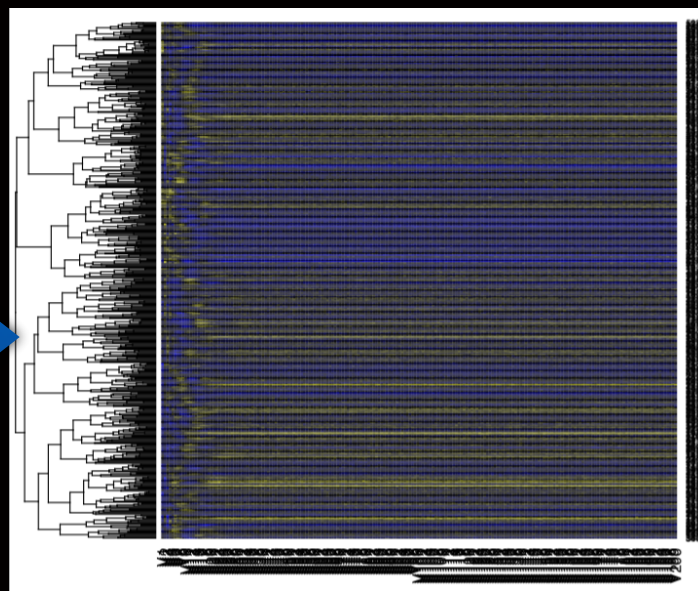
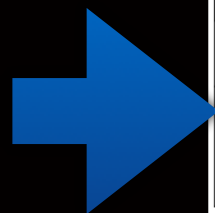
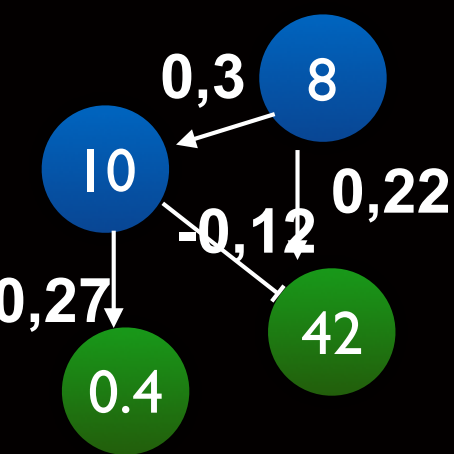
Stabilization Stable regime



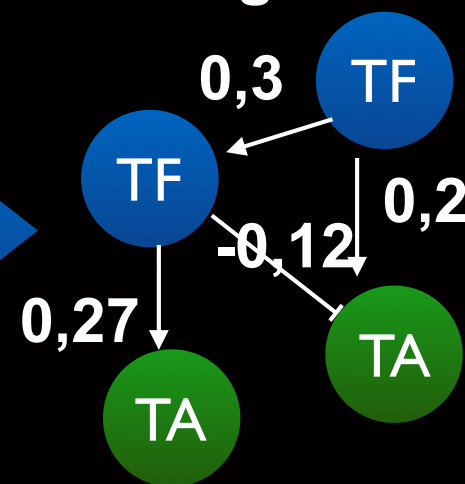
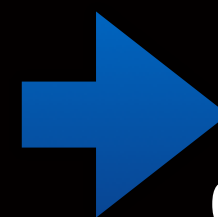
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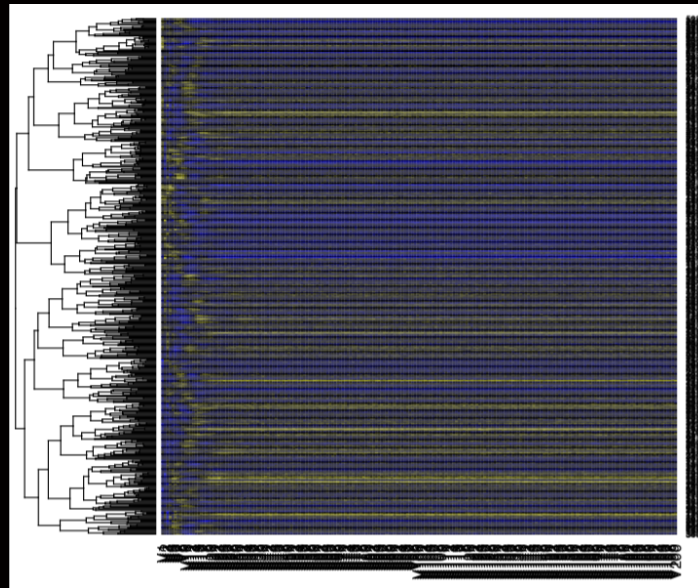
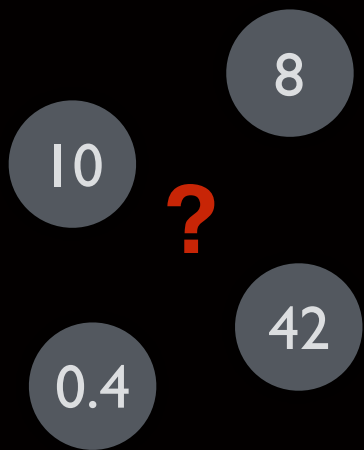
Stabilization Stable oscillating regime



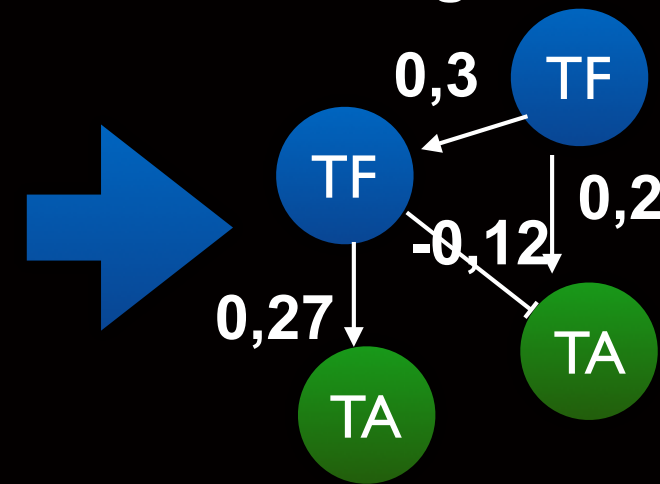


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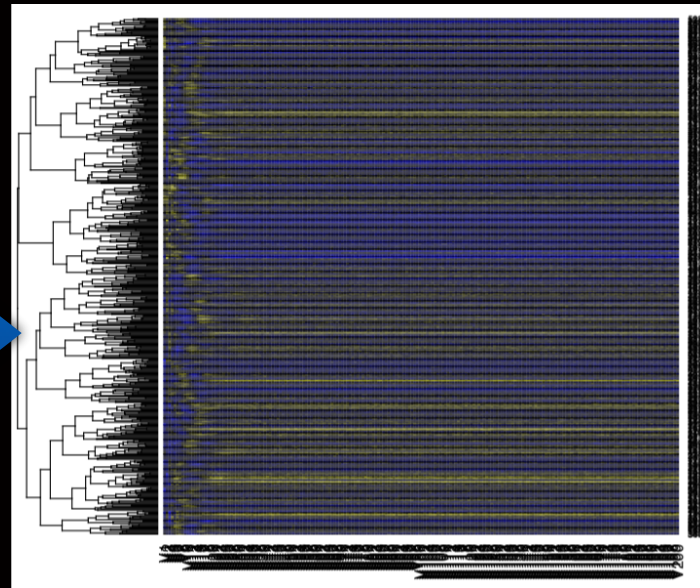
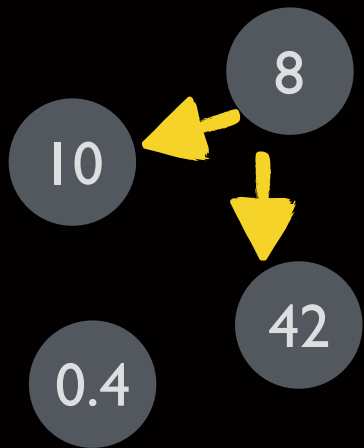




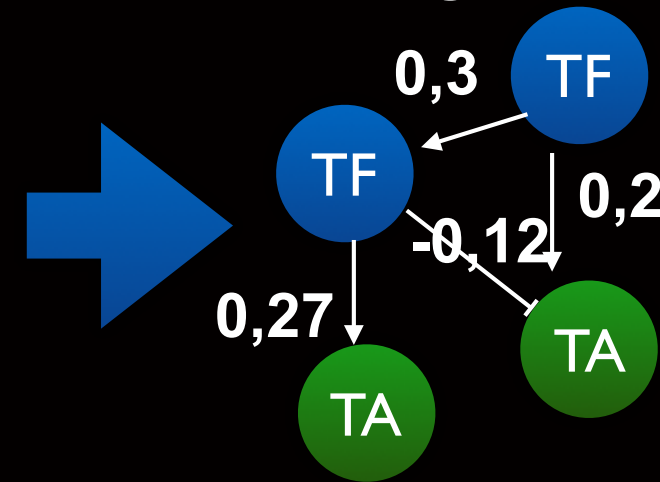
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Prior Knowledge

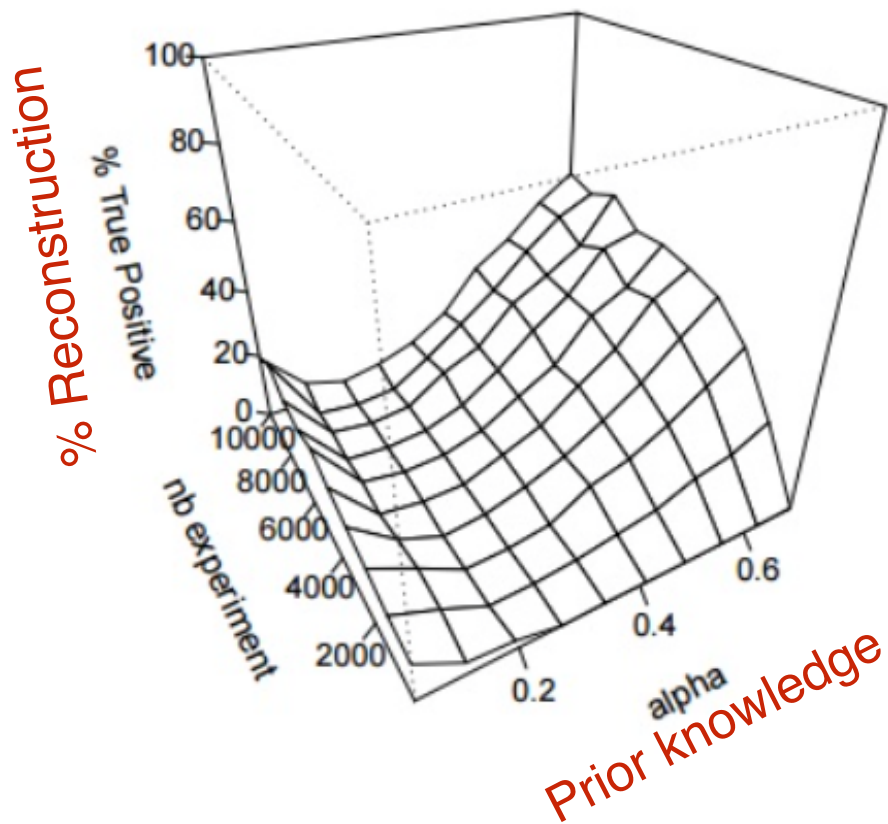


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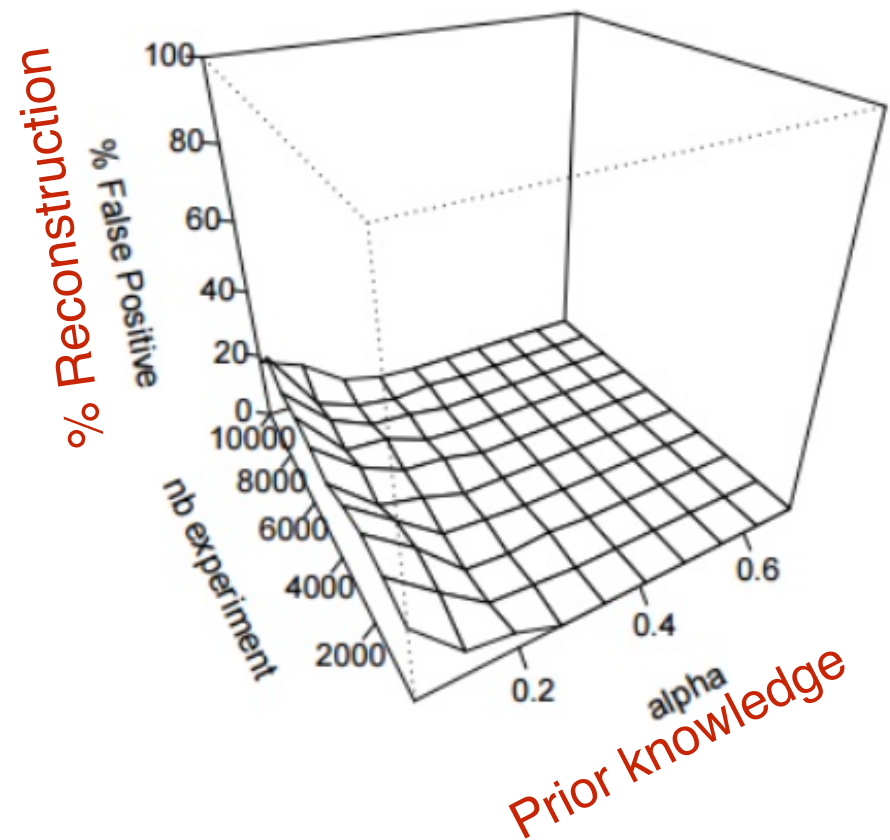


Learning a 100 TF, 1000 TA GRN with SVM (Machine Learning Algorithm).

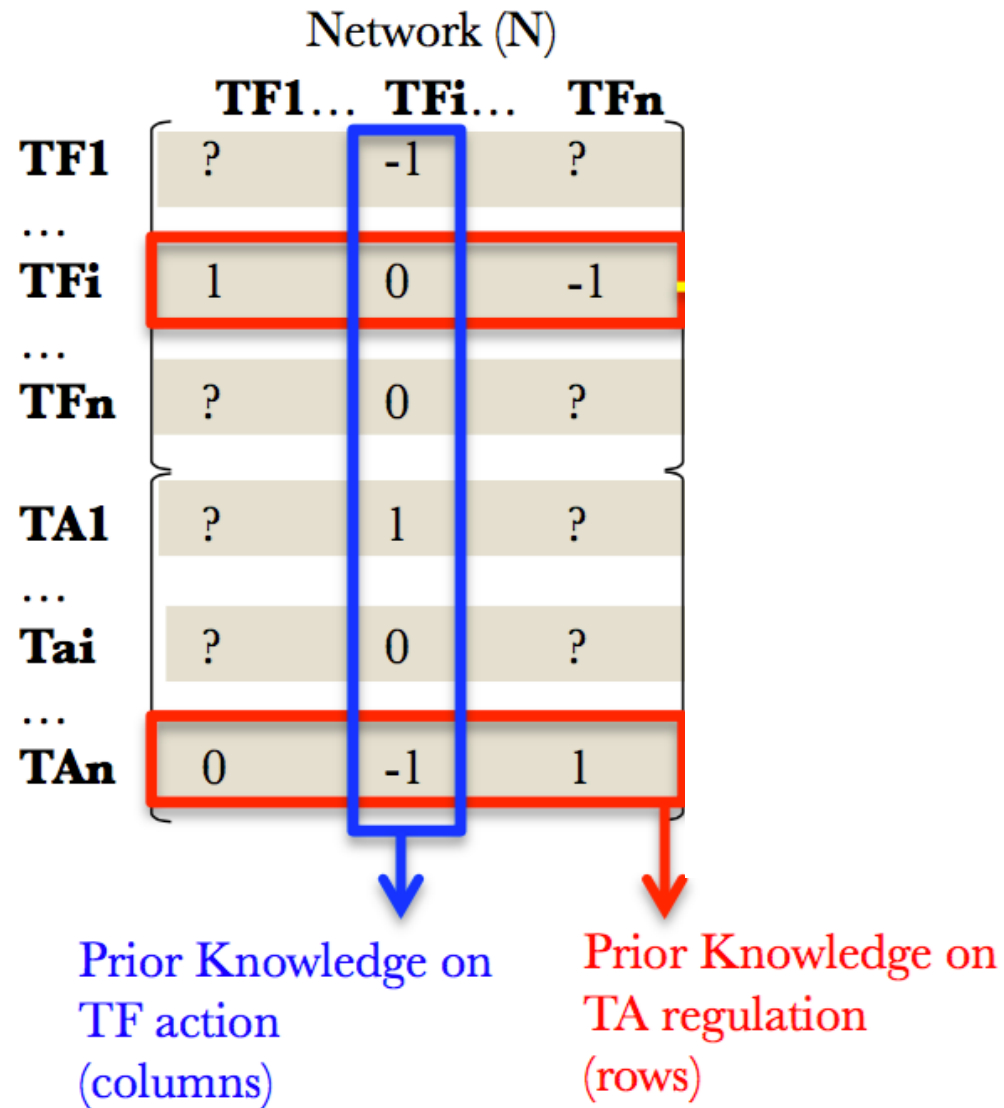
True Positives :
% unknown non-zero values
well predicted



False Positives :
% unknown zero values
predicted as non-zero



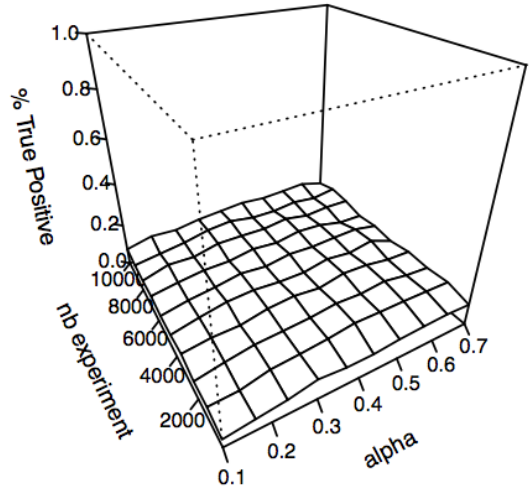
Different Prior Structure



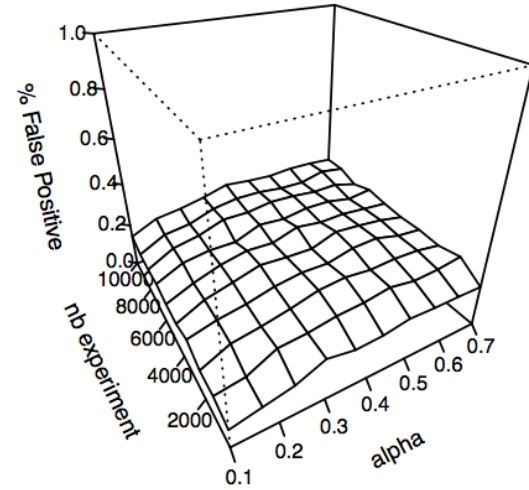
TA oriented prior knowledge is predicted to be superior to supervise SVM machine learning procedures as compared to TF oriented techniques

Prior Knowledge on columns

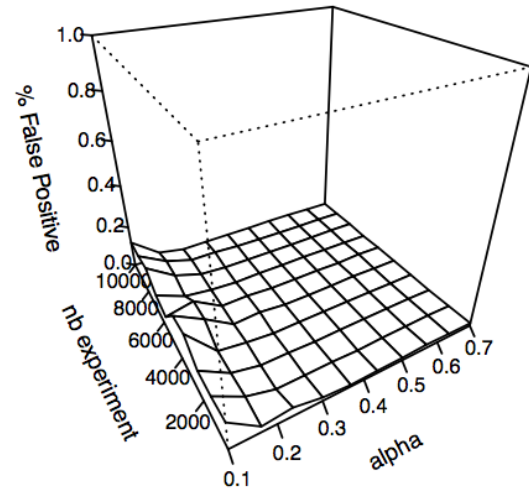
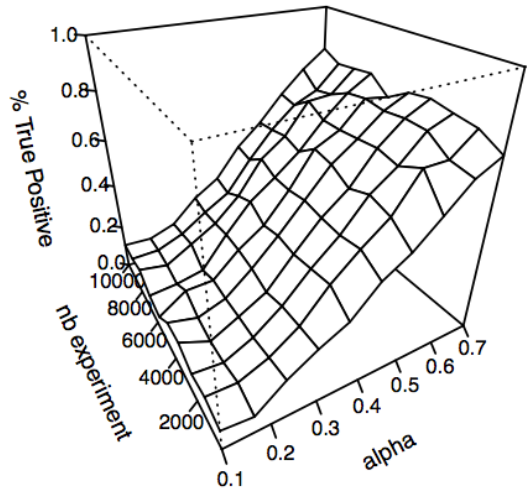
% of True Positive



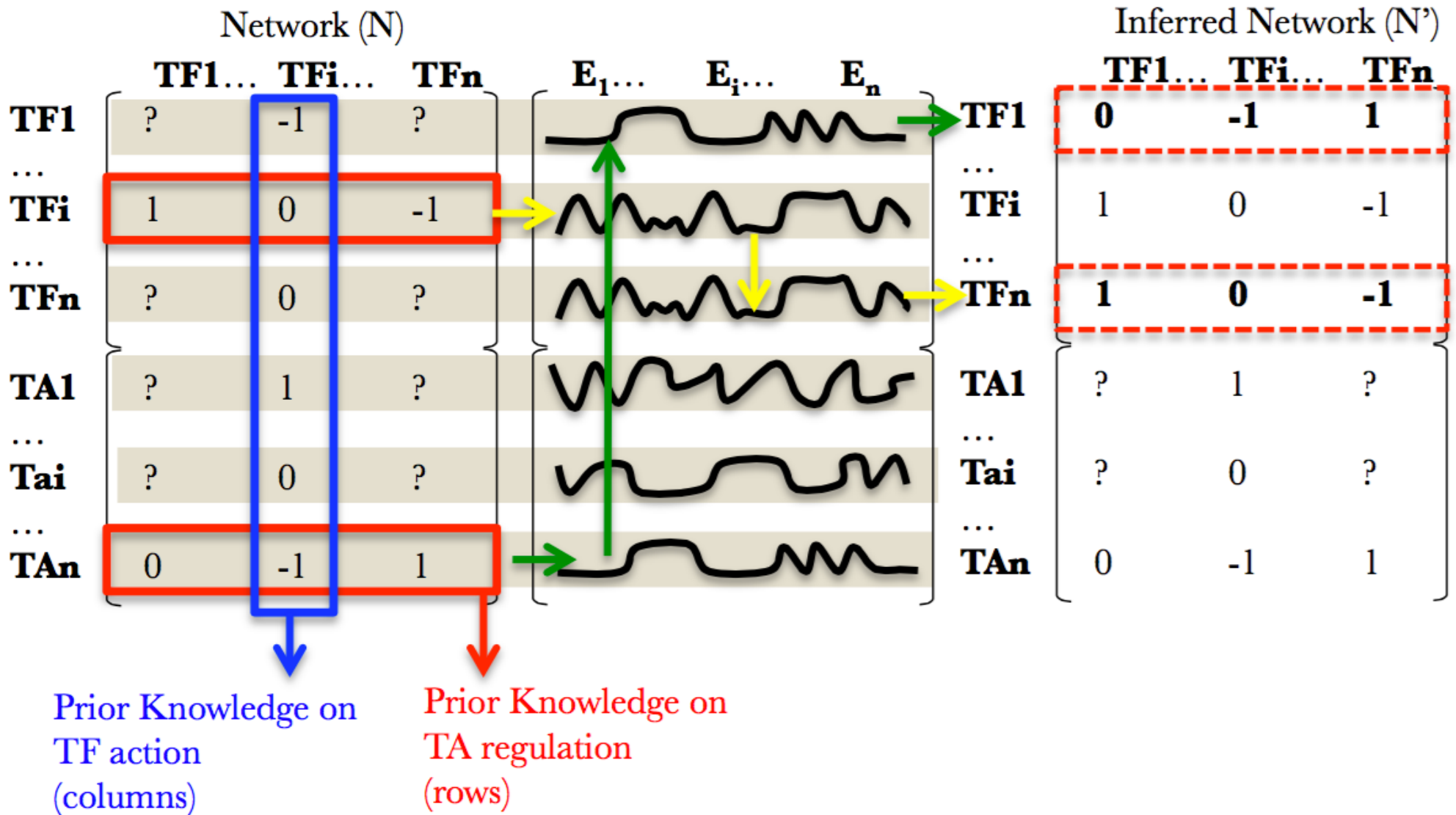
% of False Positive



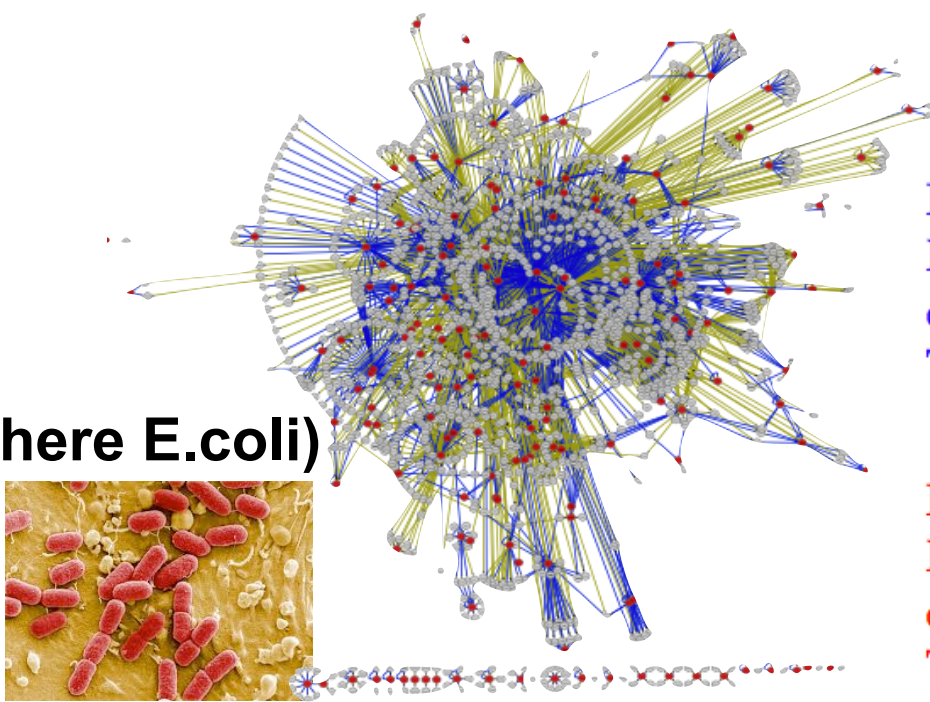
Prior Knowledge on rows



This is probably why ;)



Reviewers asked for proof on real data

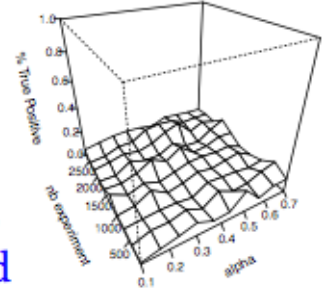


(here E.coli)

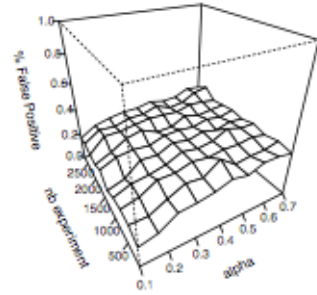
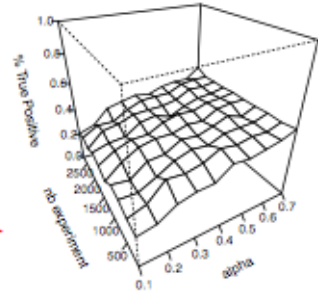
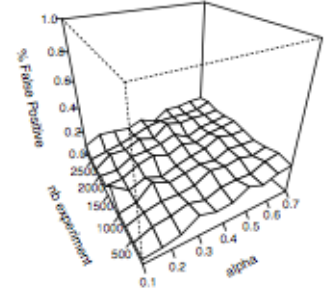
Prior Knowledge on columns TF-oriented

Prior Knowledge on rows TA-oriented

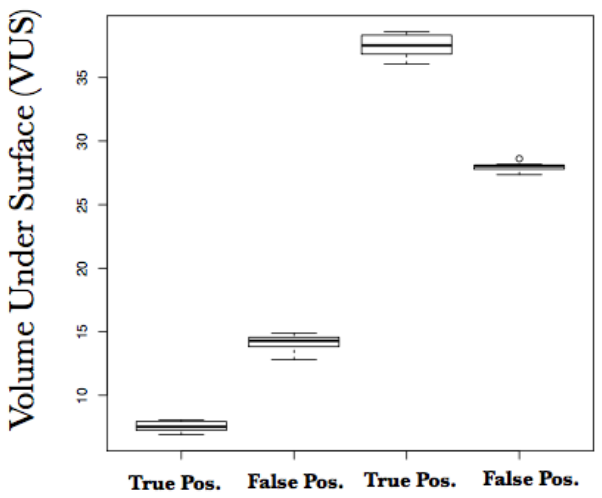
% of True Positive



% of False Positive*



* This may contains true network connections not uncovered yet in the current version (9.3) of the E.coli Network.



Prior Knowledge on columns TF-oriented

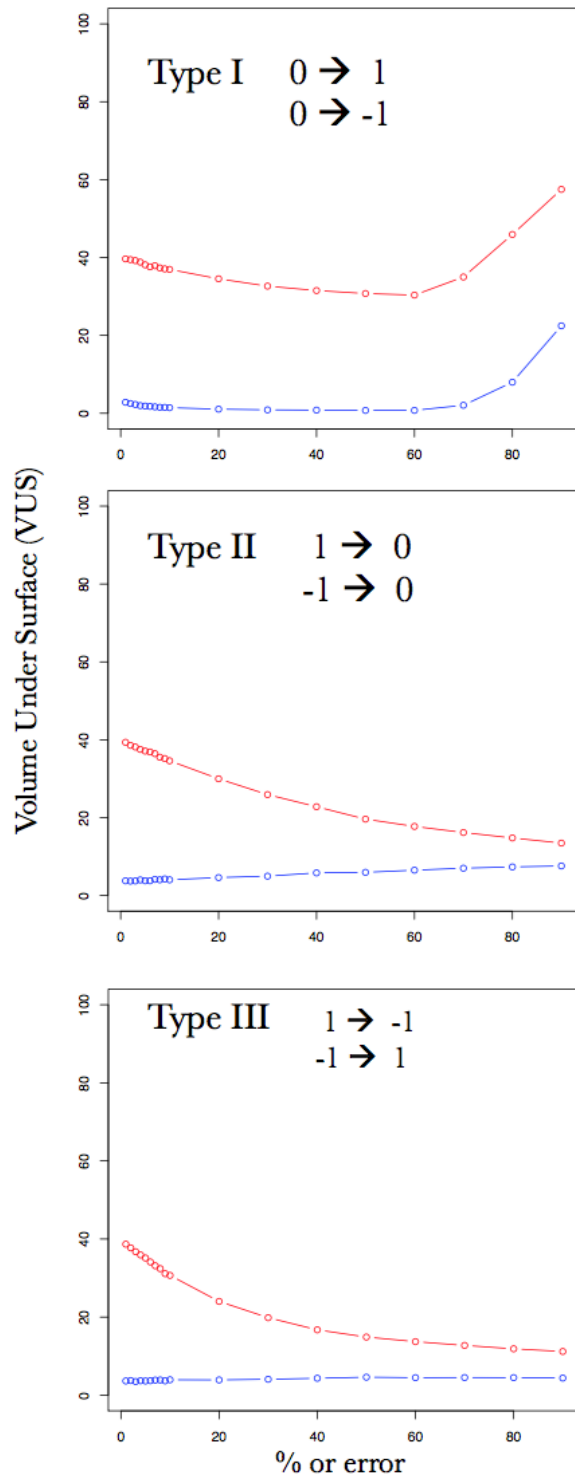
Prior Knowledge on rows TA-oriented

And it works!!!

Somehow demonstrating that we are in the good path.

A

-○- True Positive
 -○- False Positive

**B**

% of True Positive

% of False Positive

5%

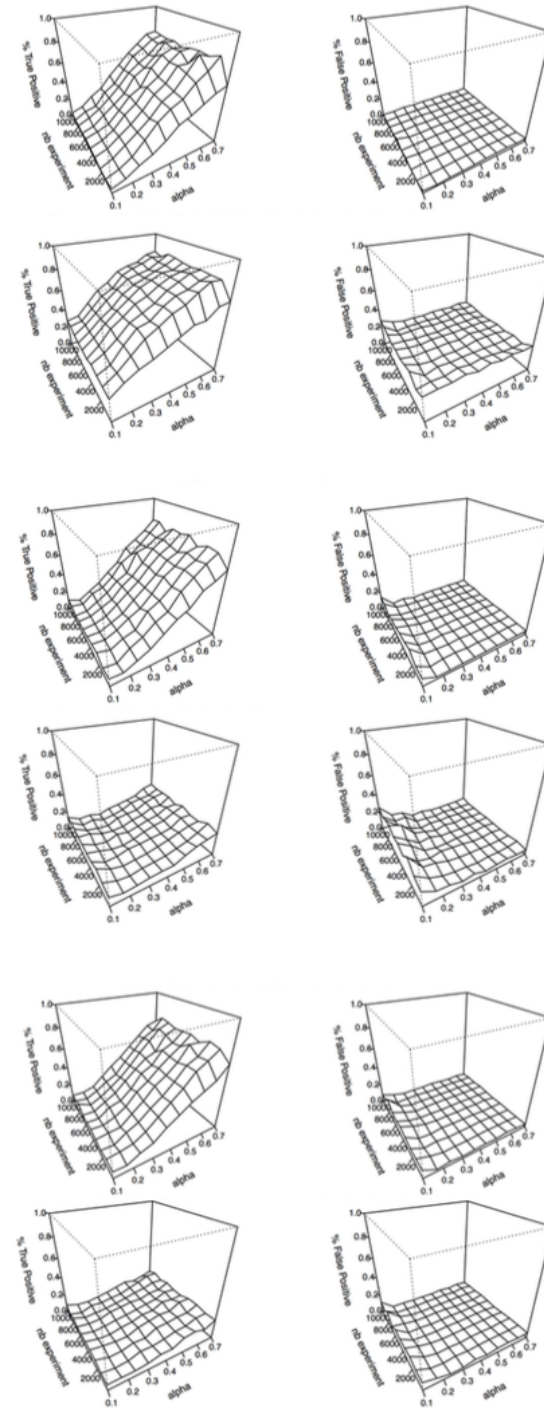
90%

5%

90%

5%

90%



Many more conclusions about biological system simulation and predictions.

-Gene expression dynamics...

-Learning resilient to noise...

All the math tricks fully detailed in the paper.

A useful algorithm available at : *www.m2sb.org*

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